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To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to waive the requirement for proof of citizenship during first year of life for children born in the United States to a Medicaid-eligible mother.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 6, 2009

Mr. SERRANO (for himself, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. McDERMOTT, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, and Mr. TOWNS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Medicaid Newborn
5 Coverage Act of 2009”.

1 **SEC. 2. WAIVER OF REQUIREMENT OF PROOF OF CITIZEN-**
2 **SHIP DURING FIRST YEAR OF LIFE FOR CHIL-**
3 **DREN BORN IN THE UNITED STATES TO A**
4 **MEDICAID-ELIGIBLE MOTHER.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1903(x)(2) of such Act
6 (42 U.S.C. 1396b(x)(2)) is amended—

7 (1) by striking “or” at the end of subparagraph
8 (C);

9 (2) by redesignating subparagraph (D) as sub-
10 paragraph (E); and

11 (3) by inserting after subparagraph (C) the fol-
12 lowing new subparagraph:

13 “(D) and is a child born to a woman eligible for
14 and receiving medical assistance under this title on
15 the date of the child’s birth, without regard to the
16 child’s basis of eligibility for medical assistance, but
17 only with respect to medical assistance for items and
18 services furnished during the child’s first year of life;
19 or”.

20 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
21 this section shall take effect on the date of the enactment
22 of this Act and section 1903(x)(2)(D) of the Social Secu-
23 rity Act, as inserted by subsection (a)(3), shall apply to
24 children born on or after the date of the enactment of this
25 Act.